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Army Corps of Engineers receives request from city of Highland Village for park lease

The Fort Worth District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, has received a request from the city of Highland Village to lease Pilot Knoll Park at Lewisville Lake. The Corps is seeking comments from the public about the proposed leasing action.

Pilot Knoll Park, currently operated by the Corps, is located on the Hickory Creek arm of Lewisville Lake and offers both camping and picnicking facilities. The city intends to operate and maintain Pilot Knoll Park in its present condition and has no immediate plans for any major operational changes or improvements to the park.

The Corps and the city of Highland Village will honor the park's existing horse trail easement held by the city of Copper Canyon. A portion of the trail crosses the proposed lease area. The city's park operations plan does not propose any changes in the operation and use of the trail.

Additionally, the city will be required to honor Army Corps of Engineers' Annual Day Use Passes for the remainder of 2001, and will also honor outstanding campsite reservations made under the Corps' National Recreation Reservation Service. The proposed effective date for the city's assumption of operation of the park is Oct. 1, 2001.

Persons wishing to review the lease proposal can do so at the Army Corps of Engineers Lewisville Lake office during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday). Written comments about the proposed lease will be accepted through Aug. 17, 2001, and should be addressed to the Lake Manager, Lewisville Lake, 1801 N. Mill Street, Lewisville, TX 75057-1821. The lake manager can be reached at (972) 434-1666.